anticipation of the sanction of the Superintendent of Registration;

(c) does not this procedure give considerable facility to the parties in the matter of getting the sanction of the Superintendent?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.— (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to prepare a table of the penalty so that this facility may be increased?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.— We will note this point.

Registration Work in the Trichur Registry office.

159. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.— Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) are there not two Registrars in Trichur Town Registry Office;

(b) is the Government aware that both in British India and Travancore there are more than one Registrar in the same station;

(c) do not the Government know that the two Registrars of the Trichur Registry Office cannot simultaneously attend to registering work?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes. In the Trichur Registry Office.

(b) In British India, there are more than one Registrar in the same station. As regards Travancore, there is no information on this point.

(c) The two Registrars of the Trichur Registry Office do simultaneously attend to registering work and neither difficulty nor delay is experienced in the actual working of the office.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Are these two Registrars provided with two Registry books for registering on one and the same time?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I want notice with regard to details.

Medical treatment of patients from Mattancheri in the Civil Hospital, British Cochin.

160. Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) if they are aware that patients from Mattancheri go to the Civil Hospital in British Cochin;

(b) if so, are there any records with the Government received from the above hospital showing the number of out-patients and in-patients attended who are residents of Mattancheri?

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Dr D. Raghavendra Rao.—(a) No.

(b) No.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Whether the Government is aware that Mattancheri is not provided with a male hospital to facilitate treatment of patients of Mattancheri, Palluruthy and interior?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Yes, Government is aware.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—If the Government are aware, is it not likely that the patients of Mattancheri, etc., have to go to the nearest hospital and that at British Cochin?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Some of the patients do go to British Cochin.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—The answer given to the question is 'No'. Now the Government say that they are aware that the patients do go to Cochin. If so, have the Government taken pains to collect the statistics?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—No statistics have been collected There may be cases of patients going to the Civil, Hospital, British Cochin, in emergent case, just as patients from British Cochin come over to Ernakulam. But we are not in a position to tell now their number.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Have not the Government given an assurance that Mattancheri will be provided with a male hospital?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Yes. The construction of the same is taken up.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—I am not asking about the construction. I do not want about the considerations, sympathetic considerations and all that. They are all ideas for the future. I want to know whether it will be given in this century or in the next century. But what I want to know is whether the Government after knowing that there is a necessity for a hospital for the people of Mattancheri, Palluruthy and the interior parts, why the Government have not taken pains to ascertain the number of patients that go to British Cochin from these places and make some arrangements to get them admitted there?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is not a case of Government not having taken pains. The land has been acquired and a dispensary with an operation room is being constructed. Estimates and plan for the construction of the main hospital have been prepared and the work will be taken up early next year.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—On a point of order. The Hon'ble Member for Medicine has answered my question 'No'; but in answer to a supplementary question he stated on the

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floor of this House that Government is aware that patients do go to British Cochin. Now I ask why the Government has not taken pains in the absence of a male hospital at Mattancheri to see that these patients are admitted in the British Cochin Hospital?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—There has been a little misconception with regard to my answer. What I said was that this department has not got definite statistics as regard the number of patients having gone to the Civil Hospital at British Cochin. If there is any urgent necessity it is quite natural if they cannot go over here, they would go to the nearer hospital.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—When was this question of Mattancheri hospital finally decided by the Government?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—I think in 1106.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Why is this inordinate delay in constructing a hospital for Mattancheri?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.— Funds were not forthcoming.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—When was land acquisition over;

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—In 1106.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Was not an estimate passed in 1106?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—I do not know.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.— Why it was not brought to the notice of the Government that on the other side of the backwater the patients of Mattancheri, Palluruthi and interior parts are heavily affected?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—It is not a case of having not brought to the notice of the Government. But it is a case of want of funds. The construction of one of the biggest dispensaries of the State has just been begun and the construction of in-patient wards has already been started.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—For the past four years the Government have been promising a hospital to Mattancheri. I had moved a cut motion on the subject on the floor of this House. I am sorry as yet Mattancheri has not been provided with a hospital.

President.—Order, Order. The Hon'ble Member cannot make a speech, but can only put supplementary questions.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—May I know whether there is any specific provision made for this item in the next year's budget?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.— We propose to utilise Rs. 30,000, out of the one lakh.

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Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Do you hope to finish this work in 1110 at least ?

Mr. V.K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The entire expenditure comes to Rs. 75,000. I do not think it will be finished in 1110.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Is it not possible to cut down other heads and provide a hospital for Mattancheri ? (*Loud and continued laughter*).

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—There are also other important works. As far as funds permit the work will be carried on.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—Is it not possible to cut down other items and provide a hospital for the other side of the backwater and thus relieve the patients of Mattancheri, Palluruthyand Kumbalanghi from their present difficulties ?

President.— The Hon'ble Member for Medicine has already said that there are other important works.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.—What are they ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—The Dispensary at Narakkal .

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim—I hope the population of Mattancheri is 8:,000.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan.— How can that small part of Narakkal compare with Mattancheri ?

Dr. D Raghavendra Rao.—It is as important to the people of Narakkal as it is to the people of Mattancheri.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.— In view of the fact that the land acquisition has been completed in 1106 will the Government sympathetically consider the question of finishing it next year itself?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—We will try our best.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.— Are the Government aware of the inadequacy of medical aid for Mattancheri and pending the construction of the hospital whether provision can be made for additional beds and additional medicine, something like that ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Every year we are doing that.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—With reference to (a), may I know whether any enquiry was made?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—No.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Why did you not do it please ?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—No useful purpose will be served.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—On what ground ? Was it on the ground that it was not worthy of enquiry ?

President.—That question is purely a matter of opinion—whether it is worthy of enquiry or not.

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Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—May we expect a beginning from the beginning of 1111 ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—A part of the work is proposed to be done in 1110.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know, Sir, why no enquiry was made as to the number of patients who go to the Civil Hospital at British Cochin ?

President.—The Hon'ble Member replied that he did not think it necessary.

Location of the Civil and Mental Hospitals, Trichur.

161. Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether it has come to a decision as to the sites where the Civil Hospital and the Mental Hospital at Trichur are to be located?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—Government have not yet decided the question.

Manufacture of Sugar in the State.

162. Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there are any factories in the State engaged in the manufacture of sugar?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—There are no factories in the State engaged in the manufacture of sugar.

Health Officer for the Trichur Municipality.

163. Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the candidate chosen for the Health Officer's post in the Trichur Municipality was nominated as a result of "Balloting";

(b) whether the choice of officers in Municipal service by ballot has the approval of Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(a) Yes.

(b) Government do not select officers for municipal service by ballot.

Official visitors to the Central Jail—list of.

164. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of the official visitors to the Central Jail, Trichur and the number of visits made by each in 1109?

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